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Infrastructure Support for Livestock
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(a) whether the livestock sector has not received adequate infrastructural and institutional support in comparison to its contribution in economy;
(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
(c) the steps taken by the Government to provide more infrastructural and institutional support to the livestock sector;
(d) whether there is still lack of adequate facilities and infrastructure for diagnosis, reporting, epidemiology, monitoring and early warning system of livestock diseases in the country; and
(e) the steps being taken by the Government for improvement of breed and increase in the availability of food items and fodder for the livestock?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
(SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a) to (c) According to estimates of the Central Statistics Office (CSO), the Gross Value Added from Livestock sector at current price was about Rs.7,33,054 crore during 2014-15 which is about 28.7% of the Gross Value Added (GVA) from total Agriculture and allied sector at current prices and 27.8% at constant prices. As against proposed plan outlay of Rs 25,639.24 crore, the then Planning Commission approved an outlay of Rs 14,179 crore for the 12th Five Year Plan Period (i.e.2012-17). However, Planning Commission had approved an outlay of Rs.8174 crore to the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries during 11th Five Year Plan period. The allocations for different sectors are decided keeping in view the competing demands and the total resources available with the Government.
However, financial resources for the projects of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries sectors have also been made available under state plan scheme of Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) over and above the budgetary allocation of the Department. In addition, under Animal Science Division of Indian Council of Agricultural Research, there are 19 Institutes pertaining to animals, two Deemed Universities, Central Institutes, National Research Centers, Directorates and Species specific institutes, which looks into the issues pertaining to the particular species like cattle, buffalo, goat, sheep, Equine, poultry etc.